THE DOOR LEFT OPEN TO NEGOTIATION.

The Government will Not Surrender the Trailors

Quarrel Between Jeff. Davis and Gov. Wise

Special Disputch to The N. V. Tribune. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22, 1861.

no one, except these two, the President and examine and explain the Secretary's system, rendered it useless. Commencing eight miles south were from Pennsylvania, and Gens. McCall probably Gen. McClellan. But the general and are intended to prove, of Hudson, they burned the bridges, water tanks, ties, tore up the rails for pends much upon financial skill, insamuch as the ability of the nation to sustain a debt is sufficient.

This was continued to Warrentown,

down or intimated in any standard work on International Law, by which a nation can be required to give up its own property or citizens, no matter how the last possession was acquired to another nation. If a man jump acquired to another nation acquired to give up its own property or citizent national faith of the national faith of over his neighbor's fence to recover his hat, he having yet recognized the Jeff. Davis Govern- and have not since returned. . ment, cannot consider its emissaries as other To the Associated Press.

Washington, Scienday, Dec. 21, 1961. than our ellizers.

so far as noticed, in the numerous newspaper copy of the report of Brig.-Gen. Phelps. Gen.

A Richmond correspondent of The Nashrille Union and American learns from an authortic one. source, "That President Davis has under con- in sideration a matter which would, in all probability, result in the resignation of Gen. Wise Island, in the Mississippi Sound, on the even-and all the officers in his Legion, in which ing of the 3d of December, when the dispatches resume his part as editor of The Enquirer, and oppose the Administration with all his power.

Keon were sent by Lieut. Winslow of the R. R. calling his parole, but, instead of surrendering himto forage. Forty or fifty wagons were taken along.

Cuyler, who proceeded to Pensacola, where the his would be a most unfortunate circumstance at this juncture, when a single turn of the

The Bowling Green correspondent of The of the different counties roust join him or fight been drifted on some of its higher hummocks. him, as they will not be left in his rear. The whole country is awakening, and numbers are "Deeming it proper to make known to the people whole country is awakening, and numbers are daily flocking to the standard of Gens. Marshall and Zellicoffer. It is their design to advance upon Lexington and Frankfort, to capture the Union Legislature and to carry the war into the enemy's country. The Continuous of Lexington and Frankfort, to capture of Lexington and Frankfort, to capture the Union Legislature and to carry the De Soto and New-London have been engaging the report, "the De Soto and New-London have been engaging the remoter objects of this expedition, I have prepared a proclamation, which I shall endeavor to have disseminated as early and as widely as possible preparing the report, "the De Soto and New-London have been engaging the remoter objects of this expedition, I have prepared a proclamation, which I shall endeavor to have disseminated as early and as widely as possible Dam No. 5, was discovered to be on fire. Four mands. He concludes, while preparing the report, "the De Soto and New-London have been engaging the boats of the enemy in the direction of New-Or full articles left by the rebels. terday, and have gone into comp. They here

machinery worked well, much better than was anticipated. Mr. Sickles, who built the engine are actively engaged in sequestering the debts due are Minchester on Sunday, from the valley. a year ago in the Washington Navy-Yard, but in the South to Northern merchants. The Disputch It is thought that it is Jackson's intention to cross was so long in getting it into working order that the Department lost patience and confined him on board, is still shut up and will remain the source of the strength of the s there until the vessel gets to sea.

THE REVIEW YESTERDAY.

The review of Gen. Fitz John Porter's The ordnance report received by the Navy Dethe previous night at Gen. Porter's camp, and remained to witness the sham battle after the review. The 18th Massachusetts and 83d Pennsylvania Regiments in their new French uniforms were much admired, and the march-Gens. Batterfield, Martindale and Morell were Hilton Head and Bay Point: uniforms were much admired, and the march- Gen. Rosecrans's charges against Gen. Benham

PERSONAL.

received here. Brevet-Capt. Morris of the 3d

the troops of Texas, at Forts Bliss and Fillmore, behalf of his brother, Gen. Augustus Jones, who re- THE BATTLE NEAR DRAINVILLES. THE STEAMER TRENT AFFAIR.

of the evacuation of Fort Stanton last August, and of giving aid and comfort on their arrival to take possession. He was sentenced to confinement at hard labor during the war, and to the forfeiture of his property to the United States.

He urgs "President" Davis, whom he calls his dear friend, to provide some office for Augustus, either in Texas or at the sent of Government of the forfeiture of his property to the United States. of the evacuation of Fort Stanton last August, sides at Columbus, Columbia County, Texas. Lord Lyons's Official Communication sieted of stealing two United States mules, self, if obliged to fight anywhere, and if possible, to and chain.

THE DISTRICT JAIL.

The Rev. Mr. Channing made an eloquent and urgent appeal to-day to the Christians of Washington to renovate the condition of the District Jail, which he pronounced, from personal examination, a disgrace to the city, the with Col. Ingalls, during his recent visit North.

TROUBLE IN THE REBEL CAMP. nation, and humanity. MR. CHASE'S SYSTEM OF FINANCE. DESPERATION OF THE KENTUCKY REBELS. system of national manner and currency, and robbed, or to make compensation for her lose; they national institutions. In the opinion of the obliged to do herself. writer, the constitutionality of the currency Lord Lord Loos yesterday made his first official proposed is beyond doubt, and if properly manorganization to the Secretary of State, who nation all the credit and money that a prudent at once set about the preparation of a reply. Administration ought to require to conclude

It is rumored that the wife of the Lieutenexpected to return the hat. Great Britain not ment, went beyond our exterior lines to-day, troops.

THE OCCUPATION OF SHIP ISLAND.

Adj.-Gen. Thomas has received a letter from Maj. Plain as this point is, it has not been taken, Gen. Butler, who is now here, accompanied by a discussions of the subject. It has, however, Butler says he has not received an official copy of rect. Gen. Butler concludes as follows:

rect. Gen. Butler concludes as follows:

"I need hardly say that the issuing of any prochamation on such an occasion was neither suggested nor authorized by me, and most certainly not such a one. With that important exception, I commend the report, and call attention to the clear and business-like statement."

Gen. Phelps in his report says he reached Ship night he was not night the was not night the was not night to be a surrendered. In night the was not night the was night the was not night the was night the was not night the was night th

made known.

We found in the harbor the United States warwheel may bring endless disaster to the South. ships Massachusetts and R. R. Cuyler, beside several those who had not forfeited all right to be treated as DESPERATION OF THE KENTUCKY REBELS. prizes, and not long afterward the steam gunboat prisoners of war, fought desperately, but unavail-New-London and an armed schooner, part of the Gulf ingly. Naskrille Union says: "Gen. Marshall has blockading squadron came in. On the west end of issued a proclamation to the citizens of Ken. the Island is a partially finished fort. The Island tucky, in which he states that the Home Guard bears evidence of having been overflowed in some

OPERATIONS IN MISSOURI.

a black flug, the appearance of which was the The following was received to-day from St. Louis: tween one of our Parrott ten-pounders and a twelve-The following was received to day from St. Louis:

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The steam sloop Pensacola.

The steam sloop Pensacola made her first trial trip yesterday to Indian Head. Her machiners worked well much helter than was proposed to be presented to day from St. Louis:

"To Major-General true pounders and a twelve-decided from Rolla. It pursued the enemy search of the enemy. The latter was driven off.

Squads of the enemy's cavalry made their appearance of the enemy search of the many search of the enemy s

merchants, New-York.

PROJECTILES FIRED AT PORT ROYAL.

division yesterday attracted a great number of partment from the fleet at Port Royal shows the folvisitors from Washington. The day was fine lowing to have been the quantity of powder and and the troops embracing the brigades of projectiles expended in the capture of the works on

ing of the Ellsworth Regiment was highly commended by the Commander-in-Chief. Previous court martial will immediately be ordered. Gen. to the review flags were presented to the 62d Benham is charged with having permitted Gen.

and 83d Pennsylvania in the name of the Gov. Floyd to escape, with disobeying the orders of his ernor of that State. Speeches were made by superior, and with conduct unbecoming an officer. Senator Cowan and Col. Black.

Gen. Rosecrans is expected here, and will probably be present at the trial.

The Hon. John G. Palfry of Boston is here.

The Arrest of Ex-Minister Jones.

That of Traitors in New-Mexico.

By a late mail the proceedings of a military arrest of George W. Jones, ex-Minister to Bogota.

Washington, Dec. 22, 1841.

In the ship-house yesterday afternoon.

The Maratanza is nearly coppered, and will be taken out of the dry dock Tuesday.

The gunboat Kataldin, built at Bath, Me., comcommission, convened by Col. Camby, commanding the Department of New-Mexico, for the trial of traitors and thieves, have been received here. Some the department of the department of the trial of traitors and thieves, have been received here. Some traitors are the department of the department of New-Mexico, for the trial of traitors and thieves, have been received here. Some traitors are the department of New-Mexico, for the department of New-Me insurrectionary States, which fell into the possession The gunboat Huron got up steam yesterday after of the Government. It is said, that in a letter to noon to try her engines. She will sail by Saturday Cavalry presided. An alcalde named Pablo Alderrita, who is a citizen of the Territory, was convicted of treason in sending information to and as the President of the Southern Confederacy, in house as soon as the Virginia is hunched.

forfeiture of his property to the United States. letter he says his sens have gone down South to fight Another citizen, Francis Berran, was conforthe rights of the South, as he intends to do him- Great Preparation on the Part of the Rebels and sentenced to a year's hard labor with ball leave his family. The treasonable letters were and chain representing the United States at a foreign court.

THE POTOMAC BLOCKADE. Two vessels, loaded with forage for the Govern ment, arrived at Alexandria yesterday and two to- Gallant Charge on Rebels in Ambush. day, having successfully run the blockade. These

REBEL TREATMENT OF MRS. RICKETTS. The Rebel authorities not only treated Mrs. A pamphlet has appeared from the Govern- Ricketts, who recently arrived here with her bus- List of Our Killed and Wounded. ment Printing Office, understood to be from band from Richmond, with indignity, but refused to the pen of Silas M. Stillwell of New-York return the carriage she took from Washington, in which discusses Secretary Chase's plan for a which to convey her wounded husband from the system of national finance and currency, and battle-field at Bull Run, and of which she was Secretary, to enable all existing banks and as-

VANDALISM IN MISSOURI.

water tanks, ties, tore up the rails for miles, bent

Work of destruction ceased. How many were con-

The rebels had attacked a stock train, captured all may apologize and make reparation for injuty ant-Colonel of a regiment stationed near AlexThey were in the act of unloading the stock, when done to fence or grounds, but can hardly be andria, escorted by a Captain of the same regi- the train, stock, and men were rescued by our

> OTTERVILLE, Mo., Dec. 22, 1861. and begged to be permitted to see her ere she died.

He was informed that if he would give his parole Gen. Pholps's proclamation, but has information as a prisoner of war his request would be granted. To the Associated Press. Washington, Saturday, Dec. 21, 1051. been brought to the attention of the Secretary which renders it certain the printed copies are corheard of him was that he commanded the whole force which defended the bridge that Col. Davis car-

> He fled with his party, and was not taken till surrendered. In consequence of the darkness of the

Chyler, who proceeded to Pensacola, where the Flag Officer then was, and Gen. Phelps's arrival was messenger reached Scalalia, was in the rebel army; and when the fight came on, feeling that he deserved of the Leesburg turn like, when the skirmishers of

leck decided what disposition to make of him. He is one of the most desperate and unscrupations of the marauders in this section, and it is to be hoped that structive fire on the concealed enemy. The position the thigh. he will receive the punishment his crime and forfeiture of his parole deserve.

ful articles left by the rebuls.

An artillery duel occurred at the same place be-

THE KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Saturday, Dec. 21, 1861.
The House to-day, by a vote of 69 to 11, concurred House Committee on Federal Relations, thanking the proclamation and Secretary Cameron's report, and some instances, their coats. requesting the President to dismiss Secretary Cameron from the Cabinet.

BOSTON NAVAL MATTERS.

Boston, Dec. 22, 1861. The Boston Sunday Herald learns on good anthority, that the line-of-battle ship Vermont, now nearly ready for sea, is destined for a Custom-House and hospital at Port Royal. She will carry 30 guns and a crew of not over 300 men.

The ship-of-the-line Virginia, which has been on the stocks about forty years, and is reported perfectly sound, will be launched the present week. She is an 84 gun ship, and requires a crew of 821 men, the same as the Vermout.

The keel of the second side-wheel steamer was laid

HEROIC COURAGE OF UNION TROOPS

THEY BREAK AND RETREAT IN DISORDER.

Special Dispatch to The N. Y. Tribune. WASHINGTON, Dec. 22, 1861.

At the Drainsville fight, which resulted so favorably to our arms, 87 of the enemy, among them two captains, are known, and 150 be-Secretary, to enable all existing banks and associations for banking purposes to become for the payment of her passage. This she was lieved to have been killed and wounded. Two caissons were left on the field by the rebels, one of which had exploded from the effect of a shell thrown from Easton's Battery, and destroyed or captured. aged, the Secretary's plan will furnish for the DESTRUCTION OF NORTH MISSOURI RAILROAD, which had evidently killed four men, whose St. Charles, Mo., Saturday, Dec. 21, 1281.

A preconcerted movement was under last night by mangled bodies were lying near. Col. Taylor, the Secessionists along the North Missouri Resilroad. who commanded a Kentucky regiment, was He was shot through the body just above the hips, The contents of the dispatches are known to the war with an honorable peace. The state-The contents of the dispatches are known to one, except these two, the President and the only one of the road, or at least two for New-York on Monday.

The South Carolinians seem to have arrived them, and destroyed the telegraph line.

This was continued to Warrentown, where the latest upon the field, or to have run the fastest, Easton's battery appears to have been peculiarly fatal rier that guards the inner circle of diplomacy is that they do not present an ultimatum, but deave room for negotiation, as we have heretogously false.

This was continued to Warrentown, where the conserved by all the departments. Second: That in raising money for war purposes, the Government is bound to device a plan that will displace as few individual securities as possible; and there is no doubt but that it was a precencered and simultaneous movement of the citizens along the the calibration of the citizens along the displace as few individual securities as possible; and cannot describe the value of taxable property.

The first has the point of surrendering Mason and solid, as no single party could have accomplished and simultaneous movement of the citizens along the the walks of destruction caused. How many were consistent of the bridge that there is no doubt but that it was a precencered and simultaneous movement of the citizens along the dark brown color, as though dyed by tobaceous the fiscal and sometimes are of cotton, of and there is no doubt but that it was a precencered and simultaneous movement of the citizens along the three is no doubt but that it was a precencered and simultaneous movement of the citizens along currency, innos deposited
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mand, encountered and repulsed 400 rebels four miles The Colonel, who is a brother of the Arctic are as follows: from loss of blood, but did not leave the field until the firing had ceased, and is now doing well.

Col. Jackson, of the 9th Pennsylvania Regi ment, left his negro servant in charge of his I learned yesterday that among the prisoners taken horse while he advanced toward the enemy. by General Pope last Thursday was the notorious Seeing two rebels, who had discharged their Colonel Magoffin of Georgetown, Mo. About two muskets, approaching him, the boy drew his leg, severely. weeks ago Colonel Magoffin sent word to the com- carbine and threatened to shoot them if they manding officer that his wife was dangerously ill, did not surrender at once. This they did, and slightly. marched before him to the camp.

> We gather from parties who were in the fight at Druinaville, the following particulars:

For some days previous to the battle about a lundied of the enemy's cavalry had been in the habit of verely. He fled with his party, and was not taken till coming down to Drainsville and foreging between some time after the rest of the rebel force had there and the Potomae. Gen. McCall determined to attempt their capture, and yesterday morning at an night he was not recognized until the next day.

It seems that Col. Magoffin, having visited his It seems that Col. Magonin, having visited his house and arranged his affairs, sent a messenger, recalling his parole, but, instead of surrendering him-calling his parole, but, instead of surrendering him-

of the Leesburg turapike, when the skirmishers of neck. and would probably receive different treatment from the 6th Regiment were fired upon by Rebels lying Jons Schmidt, Company B, wounded in the in ambush. The First Rifles returned the fire, and arm. after two or three rounds a concealed battery opened Gen. Pope refused to accept his parole, and orderover their heads and falling into a low place in the the leg.

Gen. Ord immediately posted his men in line of thigh and arm. of the enemy's battery could not be ascertained except by the smoke from the discharges, at which Capt. Easton fired sixty rounds, three only of his guns being in action. The 4th had been placed in another position, and was not operated during the fight. On the third round, a shell from one of the howitzers burst immediately in the enemy's battery. killing several men and horses, and disabling one, if not two, of their guns. After the battle, evidences were seen that the enemy's magazine had been exploded, and it is thought that it was the effect of the

After Capt. Easton's battery had fired about sixty rounds, Gen. McCall ordered the firing to cease, for the purpose of making an advance. The force of the nemy at this time was unknown, as they were all concealed from view by a thicket, in which they were sheltered, and which they did not leave during

the tight. Gen. McCall, who had come early in the fight, placing his whole force in position for a charge him self, and Gen. Ord leading the assault. It was a gallant and brilliant charge, and was perfectly success ful in routing the enemy, who fled precipitately, spurred by a galling fire from the Pennsylvania reserves, and leaving the field strewn with dead and wounded. A panic seized the rebels, the men throwin the Senate's amendment to the bill reported by the ing away their blankets, knapsacks, overcoats and arms of every description, and even the officers President for his modification of Gen. Fremont's throwing away their swords and revolvers, and in

In the mean time the wagons were loaded up with the forage which the enemy had deserted, consisting of 17 wagon-loads of hay and 22 loads of corn in the ear. The arms, and clothing, and accouterments thrown away by the enemy were sufficient to have loaded all these wagons, and more, but the away by Col. Easton. Col. Taylor, it will be recolthings were so scattered that it was impossible for lected, occasioned much excitement at the comour soldiers to gather them up in time to return to

their camp.

In addition to from 40 to 60 dead bodies left on the field, there were numerous pools of blood where the rebels had been posted, showing that in their of his mission, an exchange of prisoners, being unreflight they had taken with them what dead or complished. wounded they could carry off. The highest estimate of the killed and wounded which has been made is 150, but the probabilities are that the rebel loss was much greater.

auled the steamer George We'ems, as she was about On the bodies of many of the dead Rebels were leaving for the Pataxent Riv er landing, and arrested found letters and papers, mostly of little importance. On one, supposed to be Lieut, T. R. Rending, Aidede-Camp of Brig.-Gen. Wilcox, was found, with the HEARGEANTIES FIFTH BEHADE, SHOOND CORPS.

Dec. 19, 1961. 5

DETAIL. - Field Officer of the Day, Lieut. Col. J. C. Martin.
By order of Bidge-tien, Wilson. als unbroken, the following order;

On another was found an order showing that ratio for four days had been distributed.

In the woods where the enemy's battery had been were found numbers of shells and balls piled up in good order, and other inclications that the affair was praneditated on the part of the Rebels. From the fact that Gen. McCall had only recoived at a late hour on the previous evening to make the attack on the enemy's cavalry in the morning, it was supposed RE-ENFORCEMENTS SENT THERE. that no information could have been carried to the enemy, but circumstances show conclusively that they were informed of it. The fact is also corroborated by one of the prison

ers, who stated that they were marched from Centre ville to Drainsville, at quick and double-quick, under orders to support Gen. Stewart. This indicates that the enemy received information, of the intended attack during the night previous. The same prisoner stated that four thousand men were marching down from Lessburgh for the purpose of meeting Gen. Mc-Call's Brigade, and that the plan was to allow the Union forces to pass Drainsville, and for the force there to asseult the rear, while the force from Leon burgh made the attack in front. This programm failed by the skirmishers of the 6th discovering the pickets of the enemy, and being fired on by them, time to join in the battle, and the probability is that a still larger number of the enemy would have been destroyed or captured.

Solutions were about to begin. The hulks were towed

One of the prisoners taken was a member of the South Carolina Sixth Regiment, named Carothers. gress, but nothing had been accomplished when the

Three of the prisoners were from the South Care lina regiment, and were all badly wounded. The rebels from Kentucky suffered most, and Capt

CASUALTIES IN THE BATTLE OF BRAINSVILLE.

SINTH PENNSYLVANIA REGIMENT. SAMUEL C. WALTER, Company A. DANIEL DEVLIS, Company C.

WOUNDED. N. LATHROP, Company C, in the breast, and it thought mertally.

W. H. JAYAE, Company C, in the hip, severely. JAMES JURENE, Company C, in the hip, severely WM. VAN DYKE, Company D, in the thigh, se verely.

Capt. DANIEL BRADBURY, Company F, in the W. H. DINSMORE, Company F, in the thigh,

EDGAR SMITH, Company G, in the shoulder, severely.

THOMAS CONWAY, Company H, in the forehead, slightly. CHARLES YAHN, Company II, severely. John W. Brown, Company K, in the leg,

GEORGE BROWN, Company K, in the arm, slightly. EDWIN DEMANDER, in the breast, severely. The above regiment was commanded during the action by Capt, Ent.

The following are the causalties in the 9th Penn-JOHN W. STOCKDALE, Company F, killed. JOHN SEXTON, Company E, killed.

ALEXANDER SHITH, Company A, wounded in the

Grover Monroy, Company D. wounded

WM. Q. MATHER, Company D, in the loins. JOHN RAYMOND, Company D, in the arm. E. PATTON, Company D, in the thigh.

WM. LINSEY, Company D, in the hip. JOHN F. HUME, Company D, in the arm. Corporal PIERSELL, Company D, in the head, slightly.
RALPH WHITE, Company E, in the neck. Capt. S. W. DICE, Company F, in the thigh. Wit. McGill, Company F, in the abdomen. Jour HATCH, Company F, in the arm.

SILAS B. NEWELL, Company H, in the hip. JOHN H. WEBER, Company I, in the thigh. The Major of the regiment had his horse shot der him. In the Bucktail Rifles, Lieut.-Col. KANE, who was in command, was wounded in the check.

WM. MILLSON, Company F, in the hip.

Enwis Davis, Company H, in the leg.

GEORGE COOK, Company E, killed, Corporal James Galbraith, Company E, killed. GEORGE ROUB, Company B, killed. H. G. Wolfe, Company B, severely wounded. JOHN PANEL, Company B, severely wounded. Capt. H. E. NILES, Company E, severely

JOHN BOLT, Company F, severely wounded. JOHN F. BARNS, Company K. severely wounded. JAMES GLENN, Company K, severely wounded. There were several others wounded in the Bucktail Rifles, but their wounds are slight.

In the 12th Pennsylvania Regiment, under com mand of Col. Taggart, only one man was wounded-Wm. R. Fox of Company K, in the leg.

Col. Tom Taylor, commanding the Kentucky Rebel Rifles, was killed, and his saddle brought mencement of the war by unexpectedly appearing at Arlington with a flag of truce, and by afterward being brought to headquarters here blindfolded, and subsequently conveyed outside our lines, the object,

ARRESTS AT BALTIMORE. BALTIMORE, Saturday, Dec. 21, 1861.
The Deputy Provost-Marshal this morning over

a man named W. T. Wil son, an Englishman, who had secreted in his cle'ching, and in a bladder in his By order at Erigetien, Wilcox,
T. R. RENDING, Lieut A. A. D.
Custody. The steamer
Stockholm.

Stockholm.

FROM PORT ROYAL

HEAVY FIRING HEARD TOWARD TYBEE ISLAND.

THE STONE FLEET OFF CHARLESTON.

Sinking of Vessels on Charleston Bar-

The United States steam transport Star of the South, Commander Keanney, arrived at this port of Sunday morning from Part Royal, which port she left on the 18th inst., at 5 p. m., bringing one day later advices than the Atlanti'c. She brings no further news of moment, except that on the morning of the 18th heavy firing was heard in the direction of Tybee Island, and that the steamer Marion had proceeded with reenforcements to that place.

FORTHERS MONEOR, Dec. 27, 1864.
The steamship Ericeson, Capt. G. F. Cole, from
Port Royal, has arrived. The Erizsson left Port Royal on Wednesday. She towed seven of the stone to a point about a mile outside the bar, where six gunboats were ready to place them in position. Operations against Warsaw Island were in pro-

FORTRESS MOTROR Dec. 22, 1981. A bright light was seen from this place lest night in the direction of Norfolk. It was probably coused

The S. R. Spaulding sails for Hatteres In et this To-day has been very blustering and unpleasant

by a conflagration in that city.

No flag of truce was sent out to-day. A new mail-route was opened to-day from Old Point Comfort to Cherrystone Injet, on the castered shore, by the departure of the steamboat George Washington for the latter place. The mail will leave here three times a week-Tuesdays, Thursdays,

and Saturdays.

From Our Special Correspondent.

Ove Chanteston, Statustic Cantwrs, Dec. 13, 1981.

Part of the stone fleet arrived from Port Royal toplied with another, which had been taken from a and Pocahontas gunboats are also here. The remainder of the vessels, sixteen in number, will arrive to-night and to-morrow, and will be sunk on The killed in the battle of Drainsville, yesterday, Charleston Bar, within a quarter of a mile of which we are now lying. The operations are under the direction of Captain Charles H. Davis, U. S. N., Flors

REBEL OPERATIONS AT NORFOLK.

Captain South Atlantic Squadron.

From a most trustworthy source I have been mabled to obtain very important information of the perations of the rebels at Norfolk, and an expose of me of their intended movements.

An expedition on a large scale is being fitted out proceed against Hatteres Inlet, and retake what as captured from them by Commodore Stringham. The fleet will consist of eleven large side-wheel steamboats and propellers, and a number of ship's launches taken from the Norfolk Navy-Yard. It is expected to rendezvous at Roanoke Island, and when olned by the gunboats now fitting out at the Navy-Yard and iron works at Norfolk, will at once proceed o the coast of North Carolina.

Com. Lynch, of Dead Sea exploration notoriety, now commands the robel maval force infesting the nters of Virginia and North Carolina. The expeition against Hatterns Inlet is to be in command of Arthur Sinclair, late of the United States Navy, and resident of Norfolk. Capt. Patrick McCarrick, late captain of the passenger beats Coffee and Northampton, of the Bsy line, between Baltimore and Norfolk, is to be attached to the fleet as sailing-

Cupt. McCarrick is a native of Ireland, and was master of the Collee, or Winslow, at the time she was run ashore while endeavoring to assist the Free corvette Prony, which was lost on the North Carolina coast in November. In that exploit, McCarrick Capt. ROBERT GALWAY, Company D, wounded in set fire to the Winslow and came near lesing his life. All the sick, badly shod and clothed soldiers have been removed from Roanoke Island to Norfolk, leav-

ng but a small force at the former place. Fully eleven hundred men are now couployed at the Nerfolk Navy-Yard, a large portion of them being engaged in rifling old and new guns. A number of the old guns, which had been removed to Hardy's farm, back of St. Helena, directly opposite the Navy-Yard, are being unmasked and returned to the yard, rided, and distributed. The mechanical direction of the yard is under the supervision of William P. Williamson, a native of Norfolk, and for many years an engineer in the United States

He has been many years at sea; but owing to his habitual laziness, he has never done much service while at sea. The practical working man of this department is an Englishman named Carr, and he has now a recent importation of a large number of his own countrymen with him, who are engaged in making projectiles and rifled gans after recent En-

glish patterns.

When the yard was left by our forces an immense.

When the yard was left by our forces an immense. quantity of timber was stored in the shed, not onefourth of which has been removed from the wet or

mud docks. The wages of the men employed in the yard are, on an average, about \$1.80 per day, which is paid only semi-occasionally, and then in shinplasters. As fast as the money is paid to the hands a rush is made to get rid of it. This is owing to an apprehension of an attack by our forces, and in such a case these men dread to have any of the Southern currency found on their persons. This state of affairs is partly what causes so much suffering among the laboring classes,

the period between pay days being so long. My informant assures me solemnly that the unsjor-ity of the people beg and pray for a speedy advance of the Union troops, and as soon as the Stars and Stripes are unfurled on the points opposite Fortress Monroe, we will receive such assistance as would

drive the enemy before us like sheep. The United States steam transport Ericsson arrived last evening, from Port Royal. She brings no later Lews than that by the Atlantic, except that a portion of the stone fleet had arrived at Charleston, and was being sunk outside; to more effectually obstruct the channel.

THE WEATHER,-The cold snap which set in with the change of the moon on Friday, softened somewhat yesterday, and at about 11 p. m. a drizzling torm of sleet and rain began, with a prospect of its continuance for some hours.

-The World states that Mr. Alexander H. Cumnings, hitherto the business manager of that journal, hat, a quantity of me rphine and quinine. He also has withdrawn from it, and is about to go to Europe arrested a suspicious, man named Hanna, of Chester on account of the debilitated state of his health. It. County, Pa., form crly of California. Both are supposed to be rebel agents. Gen. Dix holds them in Mr. Thurlow Woed in Paris, and that they will tocustody. The steamer was permitted to proceed, gether make a tour of salubrity on the European